



Bald Head Association

Island Report

Communication, Advocacy and Protection of BHI Property Values

President's Letter ~ Judy Porter

Community Wide Standards

For those who may not be familiar with the term, "Community Wide Standards" refers to the section of our Covenants that deals with owners' obligations to maintain their properties in an "acceptable" manner.

A few years ago, the BHA Board adopted a policy for community standard violations in what was formerly Stage I. It was in the form of a one-page flow chart which did not actually have a specific definition for standards. Prior to the merger, formerly Stage II had a five-page Community Wide Standards Policy.

Obviously, over the years, a great deal more attention was paid to defining this topic in one part of our Island than the other. Inasmuch as the Stage II policy no longer exists, the BHA has decided to take a look at our unified policy to see if it needs to be further updated.



In the BHA Unified Covenants written last year, Articles 10 and 11 list the types of standards for the community and specifies steps for dealing with violations of these standards.

We are considering adding a brief definition of community wide standards to our violation policy based on those Unified Covenants.

It is important to your BHA Board that we have opportunities for public input as we move through this process. At the April 13, 2018, public meeting of the Bald Head Association Board of Directors, a discussion of community wide standards will be an agenda item. We hope that many of you will come and will participate.

If you cannot attend the meeting and have any

questions, ideas or concerns, feel free to contact Carrie at carrie@baldheadassociation.com or me at rporters@bellsouth.net.

Vision 2025 — Framework for the Future

By Kit Adcock, Village of Bald Head Island

The overarching vision identified through the *Vision 2025* process is to "assure Bald Head Island's image as a family oriented community developed in harmony with nature." In fact, this language is identical to the foremost goal from *Vision 2010*, prepared in 1997. Yet, it has even deeper roots. When the first major environmental battle in North Carolina occurred in the early 1970s surrounding development plans for Bald Head Island, the "deal" that was struck for its future development required a focus that was in harmony with nature.

The majority of the respondents to the *Vision 2025* survey noted the beauty of Bald Head Island's natural environment as the reason they chose to invest here. The Island's serenity, quiet and slow pace, together with the beauty of the beaches, forest, marsh and diverse wildlife, create an atmosphere unique among coastal communities. These features provide a backdrop for time-honored, traditional and treasured beach gatherings. It is an ideal locale for family gatherings and family focused, multi-generational fun.

Five *Vision 2025* goals and their specific recommendations serve as a guide for the Island's growth and build-out. All target ways to ensure that development is in harmony with nature and that the Island's nature itself will be showcased for enjoyment by future generations. Each of the five goals will be addressed separately in future issues of the BHA *Island Report*.

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ARC Corner

Karen Mosteller

Architectural Review Coordinator

Property owners: Doing a renovation project or new construction? We can help you understand the guidelines that apply to your project.

We are your resource for all things ARC, including Design Guidelines and necessary ARC approvals. Call 910-457-4676 ext. 22 or email Karen@BaldHeadAssociation.com.

So...Ready to Build Your Dream Home on BHI...Step Two: Preliminary Review

Last month we recognized that understanding the ARC guidelines is an integral part of a successful and positive building experience on BHI. We focused on the sketch review, the first step in the three-step review process. Now we are going to talk about the second step, the preliminary review submittal.

It is important to remember the primary purposes of the review process: (a) to assess and confirm conformance with Bald Head Association Covenants and the Design Guidelines, including the NCDNR (North Carolina Department of Natural Resources) Storm Water Permit Regulations, and (b) to assess the impact of requested deviations and approve or disapprove such in the context of the stated objectives of the Covenants and the Design Guidelines.

The preliminary review submittal should include revision and responses to the comments and requests received from the ARC at the sketch review. Unless the architect or designer determines that an additional detail page is required, the submittal should include the following drawings:

- a) Site plan
- b) Floor plans
- c) Roof plans
- d) Elevations
- e) Wall sections

- f) Detail plans
- g) Electrical plans

All of the required drawings must be submitted before the submittal can be reviewed. Please refer to the guidelines for a list of the specific requirements for each drawing. The ARC Design Guidelines can be found on the Association website at www.BaldHeadAssociation.com. First, click on the "About BHA" tab. Scroll down and click on "Architectural Review." Then, click on the PDF link "Complete Architectural Review Guidelines."

At the time of the preliminary review submittal, the corners of the house must be staked on the lot in the proposed locations, and trees to be removed must be flagged with surveyor's tape. This will allow the ARC committee members to visit the lot prior to the review meeting to help understand what factors may have been considered during the design process.

Whether you are a new property owner or an experienced property owner, please remember, we are your resource for all things ARC, including Design Guidelines and necessary ARC approvals. Call 910-457-4676, ext. 22 or email me at Karen@BaldHeadAssociation.com.

Know Your BHA Covenants — Single Family Utilization [Article 10.5(a)]

Unless specifically exempted, all properties in Bald Head Association's service area are for single family residential purposes only. This means that commercial activities are prohibited except for home offices – and even they cannot create traffic, require signage or include retail space, among other things.

BHA's Covenants also prohibit property owners from 1) allowing their homes to be occupied by more than one family or one family with guests 2) renting their crofters independent of renting their homes and 3) simultaneously occupying their homes while renting their crofters or vice versa. Below is Article 10.5(a) of the Covenants, which provides more detail.

(a) Single Family Utilization. This Declaration will restrict all Units described on EXHIBIT A to use only for single family residential purposes unless an amendment to this Declaration is adopted in accordance with Section 14.2. No home or other structure constructed within the described area will be utilized for commercial purposes, except that home offices will be permitted as long as such offices do not induce traffic, require signage, require outdoor storage of equipment, inventory, vehicles, or include retail space. If

otherwise approved in accordance with the procedures and standards set out within this Declaration, nothing contained herein will prohibit or restrict the construction of any appurtenant structure to any residence, including, but not limited to, decks, walkways, or cart storage facilities.

No dwelling, including any ancillary structure or annex to a Unit, will be utilized at any time for occupancy by more than one family or one family with guests. The Owner of a Unit is specifically prohibited from occupying an ancillary structure or annex located on his Unit while renting the primary residential dwelling, or from occupying the primary residential dwelling while renting the ancillary structure or annex, or from renting to two or more rental parties, the primary residence and the ancillary structure or annex.

Remember, as the property owner, you are responsible for knowing your obligations under the Covenants. A complete copy of the Covenants can be found on BHA's website (www.BaldHeadAssociation.com) or BHA's mobile app (www.BHAMobile.com). Contact BHA with questions at 910-457-4676 x21 or carrie@baldheadassociation.com.



New to BHA? Let's Talk Trees on BHI.

It's spring! Are you looking around your house for landscaping projects?

Keep in mind that trees and undergrowth help maintain the natural balance of Bald Head Island's ecosystem. BHI has three diverse environments — the creek side marsh, the open dunes and the maritime evergreen forest. By its very nature, these three entities have protected this area for as little as 800 years (Bald Head Island), up to 1,600 years (Middle Island) and as long as 6,000 years (T1 unnamed island).

Bald Head Island is a good example of a domino effect. Once you knock over one domino (or tree or area of undergrowth), it affects many other things, in a chain reaction. With incoming human population and development, guidelines were developed in order to have a minimal effect on this delicate balance on BHI.

Spring is a good time to remind everyone of the rules, as property owners clean up yards and improve their views.

The current Unified Design Guidelines contain all the specific information property owners need when improving or maintaining their yards. The permissions needed are best summarized in this paragraph from the Design Guidelines:

"Village Ordinance provides that removal of any tree or trees 3 inches or greater in diameter at 48 inches above grade requires permission and/or a landscape permit from the Village Building Inspector, even if the tree is determined to be dead or diseased. Per Village Ordinance, removal of branches of 5 inches or more in diameter also requires Village approval. ARC approval is required for the removal of trees 3 inches in diameter and understory vegetation 1 inch or greater in diameter measured 48" along the trunk from ground level, tree limbs of 3 inches or more in diameter and clustered growth vegetation two square feet or more at ground level regardless of branching habits or diameter."

If you are not sure if permission is needed for the trimming, pruning and weeding that you plan to do, please call ARC Coordinator Karen Mosteller at BHA at 910-457-4676, ext. 22. She will be happy to help you.

My Turn

By F. A. McLeod, BHA Board Member

Having just attended my first monthly Bald Head Association Board meeting, I wanted to share with you something that shocked and saddened me, with hope that you will feel the same and join me in acting. At the meeting, I learned that a homeowner given permission by the Village (but not the Association, which is required) to cut two trees on his property sliced down six. And another homeowner, clearing understory on his property, cut about 20 trees of varying sizes on Bald Head Association common area abutting his yard.

In my mind, actions such as these destroy the very essence of what makes Bald Head Island so magnificent and so unique. Unfortunately, the consequences that can be imposed on these violations are limited. The Association may fine offenders a negligible sum per tree, but the Village can levy much higher fines. While neither will bring back the beauty

of — nor the decades it took to foster — the fallen trees, if you feel as I do and would like to see these consequences enforced, please let your elected representatives on our Board know. We have a public meeting at 1:00pm on April 13 at the Association Center.

Also, make your representatives on Village Council aware of your concerns. Their next meeting is April 20 at 2:30pm in the Association Center. If you cannot attend these meetings, send them an email. Your opinion **DOES** count!

Thanks, in advance, for your support.



Who Do I Call? Outdoor Lighting

Do you have questions about outdoor lighting on and around your house? Make sure you know about the guidelines for lights, including wattage, design, direction and baffling (deflects and controls the "flow" of light to soften it and minimize reflected glare).

For questions, call Julie Starcher, BHA ARC Associate, at 910-457-4676, ext. 23. You may also have to call the Village of BHI regarding pertinent ordinances at 910-457-9700.

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From the Village Winter 2018 Dredging Project/Approval of Bond Order and Setting of Special Bond Election

By Chris McCall, BHI Village Manager

At the March 16 BHI Village Council meeting, Village Council held a public hearing on the final adoption of the bond order and call for a special election on the Village’s proposed “Coastal Storm Damage Reduction Project” (a.k.a. Jay Bird Shoals dredging project). The project, slated to get underway in late winter of 2018 and extending into 2019, will look to place approximately 1Mcy of sand beginning just to the east of the Terminal Groin and extend east, along south beach. The project also includes the replacement of five (5) geotextile soft-filled tube groins that are damaged beyond repair.

In terms of project costs, it is estimated to cost \$15.5M, which would require approval of the \$6M bond referendum to add to the existing \$9.5M bond capacity carried over from approval of the 2014 bond referendum for shoreline management activities, which included funding for the completion of several Island shoreline protection-related projects. This included the Terminal Groin, Marina jetty wall extension with spurs and the Row Boat Row breakwaters projects.

After a presentation at the March 16 regular Council meeting that included numerous historical visuals of shoreline conditions along south beach and the “Point” over the years (1989–2018), several slides from the Village’s long-time coastal engineer Erik Olsen were presented with information in support of recommendations for near-term sand requirements. This included a Sand Source Utilization Plan relative to the existing Wilmington Harbor Sand Management Plan



(SMP). This graphic represents the timing and who receives channel maintenance sand per the SMP. Given delays with the Army Corps of Engineers’ channel maintenance project for 2017 and now 2018, timing of the Village receiving channel maintenance sand relative to the SMP is likely not to occur until 2021 at minimum. And, given uncertainties

with congressional funding, it is not a given that channel maintenance will occur in 2021. For those who were not able to attend the Council meeting, go to <http://villagebhi.org/pdf/VV/slides.pdf> to view the slide presentation.

Following comments of Council on the importance of the project, Council voted unanimously in approving several resolutions required as part of the bond referendum process in setting the date for the May 8, 2018, election, where BHI registered voters will vote to approve the proposed \$6M bond referendum. Prior to any opportunity for BHI voters to cast their vote on the referendum, two information/education sessions will be presented. Details are below.

IMPORTANT: Notice of two public information sessions for property owners and others interested in the project have been scheduled for April. The first session will be held on **Saturday, April 14, from 4:30pm to 5:15pm at the BHI Club**. The second session will be held on **Sunday, April 15, from 9:30am** (at the conclusion of services at the Village Chapel) **to 10:15am at Generator Society Hall in the Association Center**. Erik Olsen, the Village’s long-time coastal engineer will be on the Island to give a presentation on the significance of the project with a question and answer session at the end.



Dogs And Turtle Season — Protect The Turtles

Turtle season is right around the corner — May 1 through November 15. To protect turtle nests and turtle crawls, BHI

Village has an ordinance that states, “From sunset to sunrise of every day during turtle season, any dog on any beach must be physically restrained by a leash.”



For additional information regarding dog ordinances, visit the BHI Village website at www.VillageBHI.org. Hover your mouse over “Governance,” then hover over “Village Government.” Click on “Village Ordinances.” At the top is a Quick Search. Type in “dogs” to read the full ordinance.



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Public Safety Complex Update

By Chris McCall

The Village Public Safety Complex construction project continues at a steady pace, although here of recent, with the weather not cooperating as all would like, there have been some delays with the barge in getting concrete trucks across from Deep Point Marina for continued installation of the driveway and completion of the entrance and exit to the apparatus bays. While this has been a challenge, it will not hold up the overall project — only a minor inconvenience, at most. The



Village appreciates the coordination and effort on the part of BHI Transportation in getting those materials to the Island.

At the last monthly construction meeting with the architect and construction management team, items required for substantial completion in order to obtain a certificate of occupancy were identified, along with numerous other small, but just as important, items that typically have to come together at the same time to get to project completion. Those in the construction business will tell you that this part of the project can be the most difficult part of the process from a coordination standpoint.

Correction Enterprises staff and crew were recently on the Island, bringing over the vanities and other cabinets they built in their woodwork facility in Taylorsville, NC, to install them in their respective locations. They will be back again the last week

in March to complete installation of cabinetry around areas having plumbing fixtures present. They will likely make a third and final trip to complete their part in the project. The crew was extremely professional in working to get the job done. *(Photo below: Correction Enterprises crew installing a vanity and countertop in one of the restrooms).*

Village staff has gone through a pretty extensive effort in identifying what items (i.e. office furniture, desks, chairs, bunks, mattresses, etc.) can be

repurposed from the current building to keep costs minimal and what items need to be purchased. This includes working with Doshier Memorial to see if there is any furniture and/or equipment they may have in surplus that can be used to outfit the additional exam room space. The objective with this effort, we hope, is that it will make the move much smoother, knowing what we have and where it will go in the new building. Also, an Island resident stepped up in a big way with a donation for the dayroom (kitchen table and chairs), as well as the PSA and last summer's fundraising efforts with Public Safety Day to purchase some additional bunks and mattresses.



At present, Island Contracting continues to work on final site grading and installation of required stormwater improvements per the stormwater plan approved by the state and should have that wrapped up in a couple weeks. So, the question most are interested to know is when will the project be complete? Sometime in late April or early May, as there are still a number of things that have to happen.

Black Beard — “Did You Know?”

Did you know? Blackbeard had a distinctive flag. It featured a white, horned skeleton on a black background. The skeleton is holding a spear, pointing at a red heart. There are red “blood drops” near the heart. The skeleton is holding a glass, making a toast to the devil. The skeleton obviously stands for death for enemy crews who put up a fight. The speared heart meant that no quarter would be asked or given. Blackbeard’s flag was designed to intimidate opposing ship crews into surrendering without a fight, and it probably did!



Monthly facts about Black Beard are provided by the Bald Head Island Pirate Invasion to celebrate the 300th anniversary of his death.

Fundraiser for BVI Community Support Appeal
April 5, 7:00-10:00pm / Forest Pavilion

Hosted by Bald Head Island Pirate Invasion
 For more information, contact Sandy Kades at 804-382-1407 or sekades@aol.com.

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Citizen Science Days at the Conservancy

By Emily Goetz, AmeriCorps
Community Outreach &
Stewardship Coordinator

Become a citizen scientist with the Conservancy this spring! New this year, the BHI Conservancy is offering free workshops to teach island visitors and residents how to contribute to citizen science projects through simple online and phone app platforms.

Citizen science itself is the collection of data by the general public in collaboration with professional scientists. It is the most convenient and accessible mechanism for the public to contribute to scientific research. In recent years, scientists have recognized the need to harness existing knowledge by documenting the immense local knowledge in many communities.

Fishermen, hunters and others who spend a great deal of time in the outdoors often know the most about an area's species composition and can be the first to witness changes in an ecosystem. Now that scientists have developed platforms to collect data on different species, these local observations can be documented and shared with researchers throughout the world.

While some citizen science projects are specific to a local area, most attempt to capitalize on the borderless capacity of the internet to collect data worldwide. Popular citizen science projects like iNaturalist and eBird provide both novice observers and professional scientists the ability to compare data between seasons, regions and species. Through its Citizen Science Days workshops, BHI Conservancy staff will explain how best to utilize global citizen science platforms, such as iNaturalist, eBird and the King Tides Project, while also contributing to local projects within these platforms.

When using iNaturalist, observers can contribute to the Wildlife Resource Commission (WRC) Alligator Project, through which the agency is hoping to track the presence and average sizes of alligators seen throughout the state. Many of these citizen science projects are designed to contribute to lasting conservation efforts. The WRC Alligator Project, for example, hopes to identify the current conservation status of the American alligator in North Carolina. Data collected on eBird have been used to identify biodiversity hotspots and local conservation needs.

In addition to the Citizen Science Days workshops, the BHI Conservancy hopes to encourage children to participate in



citizen science by loaning out backpack naturalist kits, with instructions for contributing to iNaturalist, eBird and the Lost Ladybug Project. Kids can check out a kit for free and use the naturalist equipment inside to observe, record and sketch information about wildlife and plants they find outdoors before submitting their observations to the relevant citizen science project.



In the future, citizen science may be the most efficient and comprehensive way for scientists to collect data. Conservation significance aside, citizen science is fun! Because these apps have elements of social media and gaming embedded in them, they are a great way to incentivize kids to get outside and explore their backyards. Ultimately, fostering an appreciation for nature in the next generation is one of the most important actions that conservationists can take to help protect the environment.

Join the BHI Conservancy for an explanation of citizen science projects followed by outdoor exploration on Citizen Science Days. **Upcoming workshop dates: April 22, May 19 and June 21.**

For more information, contact Emily Goetz at 910-338-0911 or goetz@bhic.org.

Boat Park Update

The expansion of BHA's Boat Park is finally underway. Located at the Timbercreek Mulch Site, the expanded boat park is expected house as many as 60 spaces for boat/trailer parking. Spaces are expected to be available by July 1st.



Reserve your spot TODAY!

Shag Dance Classes

April 5, 12 & 19 at 6:00pm

The BHA SER Committee will be sponsoring Shag dance classes at the BHA Association Center on the following Thursday dates: **April 5, 12, and 19**. The classes are one hour and begin at 6:00pm. Shag dance instructors are John Hutton and his wife, Kathleen “Katy” O’Neill, with over 50 years of Shag dancing between them.

Participants are asked to bring an appetizer or dessert to share after the classes. The cost of each class is \$10 per person or \$20 per couple and is payable at the door. Participants can sign up for one class or all three classes (recommended).

Interested participants should contact Debra Lyons via email at DebraLyons16@gmail.com to reserve a spot.



Veterinary Clinic

Wednesday, April 11, 8:45am-1:30pm

Public Safety Fire Station

Call 910-457-7387 to schedule an appointment with Dr. Audra Rickman, with Four Paws Animal Clinic. Sponsored by BHA SER Committee.

Community Potluck Dinner

Monday, April 16, 6:00pm

Generator Society Hall at Bald Head Association

All are welcome! Bring a dish to share and a beverage of your choice. Make new friends and join old ones.

Sponsored by BHA SER Committee.

Join us!



Old Baldy | By Abby Sachs

The Old Baldy Foundation would like to invite you to the 2nd annual North Carolina Treasures Weekend on June 1 and 2, 2018. The weekend is a celebration of the North Carolina culture, history, cuisine, spirits, music and more. The Old Baldy Lighthouse represents the rich history of North Carolina over the past 200 years. North Carolina Treasures Weekend is an event meant to honor all that Old Baldy has stood for. Please mark your calendars to join us for this special celebration!

Friday, June 1 — Swine & Spirits Dinner

An event not to be missed, under the tent of the Forest Pavilion at the Maritime Market! Head Chef Marc Berruet from Sweet Bay Catering will be preparing a gourmet, whole hog menu featuring a Heritage Farms Cheshire Hog. These hogs offer a superior product,



as they are bred to be full of marbleization, tenderness and taste. Learn more about these award-winning hogs at the event. Cocktail hour will feature cocktail samplings from local North Carolina distillers, hors d’oeuvres and live music before sitting down for a unique dining experience. More details about VIP tickets and special features of this dinner are coming soon.

Saturday, June 2 — The Gala in White

The Gala in White is a 30-year Island tradition which always proves to be a highlight of the year for Islanders! The Bald Head Island Club hosts this annual event, and they have partnered with The Old Baldy Foundation to make this evening extra special. This year the Gala will feature a lavish buffet, live music from The Magnificents Band, a silent auction, craft distiller tastings and more!

For more information visit www.OldBaldy.org.

11th Annual BHI Warrior Weekend to Remember — April 19-23, 2018

Please join the community of Bald Head Island as it once again unites to bring five Purple Heart recipients and their families to the Island the weekend of April 19-23, 2018. The BHI Warrior Weekend committee is very proud to offer a weekend to remember for not only the service personnel, but also their caregivers and family. As one service member stated, “That’s rewarding in itself, just knowing that what we do is appreciated. This is a testimony of the citizens of Bald Head Island appreciating soldiers.”

In partnership with HALO for Freedom Warrior Foundation, this is a unique opportunity for Bald Head Island to provide a weekend they will never forget. But we need your help. BHI Warrior Weekend organizer, John Fisher says, “It takes a village to put on an event like this.”

HALO for Freedom Warrior Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization. Keep in mind that 100% of the donations go toward this BHI event, and all donations are tax deductible. Contributions can be dropped off at Bald Head Association, located at 111 Lighthouse Wynd, or mailed to BHA, PO Box 3030, Bald Head Island, NC 28461. Checks should be made out to “HALO for Freedom Warrior



Foundation,” with “Bald Head Island” noted in the check description line. **NOTE: HALO for Freedom Warrior Foundation is NOT affiliated with Wounded Warrior Project.**

Want to help give a soldier the thrill of a lifetime? Sponsor a tandem skydive jump! A \$500 donation will sponsor a tandem jump for one of the warriors and their spouse. Jumps take place on April 20 and April 21.

Housing is needed to host these warriors and their families. If you would like to donate your rental property, contact John Fisher at johnlfisher86@gmail.com.

Save the date of Friday, April 20, for the Community Dinner, open to the public at BHI Club, to meet these service members and their families. There will be kids’ activities, guest speakers and a live band.

Want to see a video of last year’s event? This 7-minute video will inspire you to appreciate our soldiers and see Bald Head Island in a new way. We will provide links on www.BaldHeadAssociation.com, our Facebook page, our YouTube Channel (Bald Head Association) and in our E-blasts.

Pet of the Month — Max Henson

Having been a dog owner for most of his life since growing up in the 1960s in the Charlotte area, Steve Henson has owned and enjoyed a number of four-legged friends of various breeds over the years. At the time he made Bald Head his home in 2001, he had both a Black and a Yellow Lab. However, they both went to doggie heaven in 2010 and 2011, and Steve was not sure he would have another pet any time soon.

After a while, though, Steve's home had become somewhat quiet, having gone through some life changes during this time, both business and personal. He started thinking a pet may be a good idea. One spring day in 2013, he learned from Debbie Smith, former owner of the Island Hardware with her husband, Vic, that another island resident, Nancy



Giacchi, had taken in a rescue puppy and was looking to find him a home.

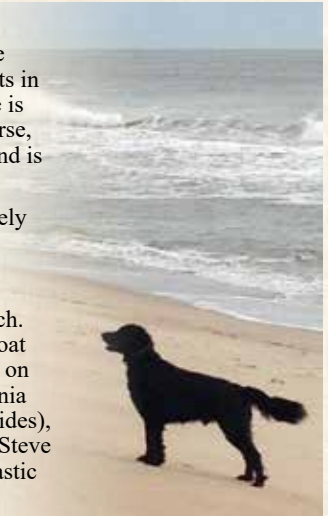
In April with Debbie's assistance, Nancy introduced this black fur ball to Steve. Steve and Nancy met several times over the next few weeks while "Trader," as Nancy had named him, finished a battery of shots and other treatments. While she was making sure Trader was healthy enough to be adopted, she was also making sure Steve was the right person to adopt him.



On May 22 Steve officially adopted Trader and changed his name to Max. Steve didn't know why that name struck him as appropriate, but nonetheless, it stuck. All along, both Nancy and Steve assumed that Trader/Max was a Black Lab mix. However, that first summer while on the beach, a stranger came up and told Steve that Max was a Flat Coat Retriever. Steve, having never heard of this breed, looked it up and sure enough, he fit the description and appearance perfectly.

If you have seen them around the Island, you know Max's enthusiasm and desire to please people knows no bounds, being a bit overly enthusiastic at times, while also being affectionate and gentle. It is a great combination. Also, being a retriever, he loves exploring the beaches and delights in swimming in the ocean. Max's favorite is Beach Access #1 at the Harbor. Of course, he loves watching the Island wildlife and is curious about everything Bald Head.

Since adopting each other, you will rarely see them apart. Max can often be seen riding in the back of Steve's golf cart, checking jobsites around the Island or simply running and playing on the beach. He also loves to travel with Steve by boat or airplane. He has accompanied Steve on quite a few flights into Leesburg, Virginia (where Steve's better half currently resides), and to Charlotte, Raleigh or anywhere Steve may need to go. He is quite an enthusiastic and enjoyable travel companion.



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Help Keep Bald Head Island Beautiful!

By Kay Menk, RCB Committee Chair


As spring approaches, the Resource Conservation and Beautification (RCB) Committee is gearing up. In addition to our biannual Litter Sweeps, this committee is involved in many other activities that help ensure our Island remains a beautiful place of enjoyment and recreation. We help monitor all the BHA common areas, which include areas surrounding most of our beaches and nearly all homesites around the golf course. We also help maintain the community garden, as well as our boat storage areas.

As we monitor these areas, we are constantly on the lookout for ways to decrease the unsightly trash that mars our beautiful landscapes. Reaching out to our necessary and appreciated contractors and to unwitting, young tourists are priority goals for this year.

If you have an interest in any of the areas of concern, have ideas to share or have expertise in the art of positive communication, we would love to have you join our ranks. You can officially join the RCB Committee by filling out an application at the Association office, on the website (www.BaldHeadAssociation.com), go to About BHA and choose "Committees" on the left) or on BHA Mobile (www.BHAMobile.com, click on #2 "Getting Involved"). You can also email Kay Menk at kgmenk@gmail.com.



Marti Flanagan, "Best Dressed" Litter Sweep participant.

Help keep Bald Head Island beautiful and join us! 


Village Chapel of BHI RE-CYCLE Project

The Village Chapel would like to thank the many residents and organizations that made the first used Bicycle Collection Day in March a great success. Thanks to their generosity, a truckload of used bikes will be delivered to North Carolina's Bicycle Man Project, where they will be repaired, restored and delivered to over 1,500 children, along with new helmets and winter coats. Bikes that can't be repaired are taken apart and used for parts.



Building on this success, the Chapel invites everyone who missed the first collection day to participate in a second one on Memorial Day Weekend. For those who can't be on the Island that weekend, volunteers are happy to pick up bikes. Simply contact Darryl Early at darrylearly@msn.com or Steve McCoy at smccoy1110@gmail.com.

The Chapel has also established a permanent drop-off site, thanks to the Village of Bald Head Island's Public Works Department. The storage container is located behind the contractors' parking lot, beside the light green contractors' break building. Please place your bikes inside container #14. Tax receipts and coupons for 10% off a new bike from Island Hardware are available to all donors. And cash donations are always welcome!

For more information contact Anne Rex at anne.e.rex@hotmail.com or Gayle Sanders at gaylesanders@mail.com. 

New Phone Number or Email Address?


If you received a new phone number and/or email address during the transition to Spectrum, please be sure to let us know. BHA is often called upon to contact property owners when an HVAC unit freezes or a pipe bursts. If something were to happen at your home and we don't have your current contact information, we won't be able to reach you.

Email your updated contact information to Diane Mesaris at BHA, at diane@baldheadassociation.com.

Dosher Medical BHI Summer Hours Start May 29

Dosher Medical—Bald Head Island will be open weekdays, 9:00am to 4:00pm, beginning Tuesday, May 29, and continuing through Friday, August 31, 2018. The facility will be closed on July 4.

This is the fourth year of operation for Dosher's walk-in clinic at the Bald Head Island Public Safety Building. For more information, call 910-457-5252 during the summer season or visit Dosher.org/Clinics.

For emergency medical needs, the Emergency Department at Dosher Memorial Hospital is open around the clock and is a five-minute drive from Deep Point Marina in Southport. 

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Smith Island Junior Art League

We are hoping there are parents or grandparents who are property owners or employees on the island who would like to encourage young artists and give them the opportunity to show their work.

If you would like your young artists to participate in the show, here are the instructions/requirements to follow:

1. Junior Members of the Smith Island Art League must be under the age of 18.
2. Junior Members must be a relative of a full member of the Smith Island Art League.

To become a full member, fill out the application on the Smith Island Art League website at: www.SmithIslandArtLeague.com. Full memberships require \$100.00 (one-time fee). And yearly dues are \$30.00. The Junior membership will remain in effect as long as yearly dues are paid.

There is no charge to the Junior Member. This entitles them to show their artwork in the yearly Spring Show. Applications are due April 20 and can be emailed to Marilyn Ridgeway at pataskalam@bellsouth.net or Prudy Weaver at pweaver2@gmail.com.



Junior artists should create a drawing, painting, sculpture, fabric, collage or photo that relates to this year's theme: *The Birds of Bald Head*. No coloring book pages, please. Original artwork only.

You will be notified of your acceptance. Works will be hung Friday, May 25. Artists should have their work at the Association Center's Generator Society Hall by 2:00pm. The show will be from 5:00-7:00pm. Light refreshments will be served.

Watch for upcoming BHA member surveys in your weekly E-blast

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BHI Ferry Transportation Authority — March Meeting


At its most recent meeting, the BHI Ferry Transportation Authority’s Board of Trustees voted to select a financial advisor to help determine the value of the current ferry system and, ultimately, a purchase price, as well as develop a strategy for financing the acquisition of the system.

Previously, a request for qualifications was sent to approximately a dozen firms, with three responding with detailed proposals. After examining the proposals and interviewing the firms, the Executive Committee recommended to the full Board that Davenport & Company be selected. Board member and Treasurer David Jessen said, “They were the most prepared and, of the three, had the best understanding of the ferry system. Their scope of services was very detailed and on point.” The Board unanimously approved an engagement letter with the firm, though no

specific details were offered on fees or timing.

The interlocal agreements between the Village of Bald Head Island and the City of Southport, for pass-through funding and administrative support, respectively, were discussed. The agreement with the Village was approved at its March 16th meeting, and the Southport agreement will be considered for approval at the Authority’s April meeting.

Other issues discussed in open session included obtaining Director’s and Officer’s insurance, acknowledgment of the receipt of a letter from The Landing Homeowner’s Association requesting a wake study and logistics related to permit ownership and dredging.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 18th at 9:15am at the Southport Community Building. 


Offshore Energy Exploration Update — February Public Hearing

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) continues to move through its process of developing the 2019-2024 National Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program with the recent release of the Draft Proposed Program, which was released on January 4, 2018, with a 60-day comment period that ended on March 9th. The proposal makes nearly all offshore areas of the US available for drilling — as close as three miles from shore.

Nearly 1.7 million comments were received.

In late February, Bald Head Association staff attended a BOEM public hearing on the proposal in Raleigh, where they were able to discuss issues such as the economic and cultural impacts of offshore oil and gas drilling and exploration in the Atlantic. They also discussed with state and federal officials

the potential on- and near-shore infrastructure that may be required in and around the Wilmington Port, if exploration and drilling occurred in the Cape Fear region.

The next version of the Leasing Program will likely be released for public comment later in 2018. Contact Carrie Moffett at carrie@baldheadassociation.com or 910-457-4646, ext. 26 with questions. 

5th BADWATER® Cape Fear on BHI


BADWATER® Cape Fear, with 50km and 51-mile options, was held on March 17, 2018. The race on Bald Head Island featured approximately 204 runners. They represented seven countries and 32 states from the United States.



There were 70 women and 134 men, with 51 veterans and 153 rookies. The age range was 18 to 72.

Of special note, Jay Birmingham, 72, of Fleming Island, FL, competed. Jay was the second runner to ever successfully run

between Badwater Basin and Mt.

Whitney, back in 1981, six years before the actual race on that route, known as Badwater 135, was held. 



April	
Easter	4/1/2018
Card Class	4/4/2018 2pm
Shag Dance Classes	4/5/2018 6pm
BVI Community Support Appeal Fundraiser	4/5/2018 7pm
ARC-A Meeting	4/6/2018 9am
FOM Concert	4/6/2018 7:30pm
Veterinary Clinic	4/11/2018 8:30am
Shag Dance Classes	4/12/2018 6pm
BHA Board Meeting	4/13/2018 1pm
Community Potluck Dinner	4/16/2018 6pm
BHI Conservancy — Bat Talk	4/19/2018 1pm
11 th Annual BHI Warrior Weekend	4/19/2018 – 4/23/2018
Shag Dance Classes	4/19/2018 6pm
ARC-B Meeting	4/20/2018 9am
Earth Day	4/22/2018
Howl at the Moon (“Pink Moon”)	4/29/2018 7pm
SAVE THE DATE in May:	
Card Class	5/2/2018 2pm
ARC-A Meeting	5/4/2018 9am
FOM Concert	5/4/2018 7:30pm
BHA Board Meeting	5/11/2018 1pm
Mother’s Day	5/13/2018
ARC-B Meeting	5/18/2018 9am
FOM Gala Cruise	5/19/2018 5pm
Smith Island Junior Art League Show	5/25/2018 5pm
Village Chapel RE-CYCLE Collection	5/25/2018 – 5/28/2018
Dosher Medical–Bald Head Island Opens	5/29/2018
Howl at the Moon (“Flower Moon”)	5/29/2018 7pm
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 6:45am 8:30am 10:00am Rev. Sally Bates <i>Methodist</i> Easter	2 Yoga 11:45am (AC)	3 Pilates 10:45am (AC) Ladies Bible Study 10:15am (VC)	4 Yoga 11:45am (AC) Card Making Class 2pm (AC)	5 Pilates 10:45am (AC) Shag Dance Classes 6:00pm (AC) BVI Fundraiser 7:00pm (MMFP)	6 ARC Meeting A 9am (AC) ARC - B Submission Deadline Friends of Music Concert 7:30pm (Chapel)	7
8 8:30am Rev. Barbara Cooke <i>Episcopal</i>	9 Yoga 11:45am (AC)	10 Pilates 10:45am (AC)	11 Veterinary Clinic 8:45am (PSD-Fire Station) Yoga 11:45am (AC)	12 Pilates 10:45am (AC) Shag Dance Classes 6:00pm (AC)	13 BHA Public Meeting 1pm (AC) Men's Bible Study 8am (VC)	14
15 8:30am Rev. Joan R. Hill <i>Evangelical</i>	16 Yoga 11:45am (AC) Community Potluck Dinner 6pm (AC)	17 Pilates 10:45am (AC) Ladies Bible Study 10:15am (VC)	18 Yoga 11:45am (AC)	19 Pilates 10:45am (AC) Bat Talk 1:00pm (BHIC) Shag Dance Classes 6:00pm (AC) BHI Warrior Weekend To Remember	20 ARC Meeting B 9am (AC) ARC - A Submission Deadline VBHI Work Session 9:30am (AC) VBHI Council 2:30pm (AC) BHI Warrior Community Dinner 4:30pm (Club)	21 BHI Warrior Weekend To Remember
22 8:30am Rev. David Woodhouse <i>Methodist</i> Earth Day	23 Yoga 11:45am (AC)	24 Pilates 10:45am (AC)	25 Yoga 11:45am (AC)	26 Pilates 10:45am (AC)	27 Men's Bible Study 8am (VC)	28
29 8:30am Rev. Jack Karpenske <i>Brethren</i> Howl at the Moon 7:00pm (Access 39)	30 Yoga 11:45am (AC)					

AC (BHA Association Center)
 AC/B (BHA Association Center — Berne Room)
 BHIC (BHI Conservancy)
 Club (BHI Club)
 MP (Marina Park Area)
 VC (Village Chapel)
 OB (Old Baldy)
 PSD (Public Safety Operations Building)
 RAC (Riverside Adventure Courtyard)
 Maritime Market Forest Pavilion (MMFP)

Standing Events:

- Alcoholics Anonymous — Monday & Friday, 12-1pm, Berne Room at the Association Center. Contact John B. at 336-671-8858 or sober.1.day.at.a.time@gmail.com for more information.
- Knitting — A group of knitting enthusiasts meets every Wednesday at the Association Center, 9:30-11:30am.
- Evening Bible Study — Every Tuesday, 7:30-9pm, location varies. Call Pattie Caban at the Village Chapel at 910-457-1183.

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